In the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listings of claims

1. (original) A compound of formula (1):

$$(R^4)_m$$

$$R^2$$

$$R^3$$

$$R^1)_r$$

$$R^4)_m$$

$$R^2$$

$$R^3$$

$$R^1)_r$$

A is phenylene or heteroarylene;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

m is 0, 1 or 2;

R¹ is independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylcarbamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkyl $_2$ carbamoyl, sulphamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylsulphamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkyl $_2$ sulphamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkyl (wherein b is 0,1,or 2), $-OS(O)_2(1-4C)$ alkyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy, (1-4C)alkanoyl, (1-4C)alkanoyloxy, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy and $-NHSO_2(1-4C)$ alkyl;

or, when n is 2, the two R¹ groups, together with the carbon atoms of A to which they are attached, may form a 4 to 7 membered saturated ring, optionally containing 1 or 2 heteroatoms independently selected from O, S and N, and optionally being substituted by one or two methyl groups;

one of R² and R³ is selected from R_Na, and the other is selected from R_Nb;

 R_{Na} : (1-3C)alkyl, halo(1-3C)alkyl, dihalo(1-3)alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy(1-3C)alkyl, dihydroxy(2-3C)alkyl, cyano(1-3C)alkyl (optionally substituted on alkyl with hydroxy), methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl, methoxyethyl, methoxymethoxymethyl, dimethoxyethyl, (hydroxy)(methoxy)ethyl, 5- and 6-membered acetals and mono- and di-methyl derivatives thereof, (amino)(hydroxy)(2-3C)alkyl, (aminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-3C)alkyl, (methylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-3C)alkyl, (methylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-3C)alkyl, (methylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-3C)alkyl, (methylaminocarbonyl)(a-3C)alkyl, (methylaminocarbonyl)(a-3C)al

R_Nb: (1-4C)alkyl, halo(1-4C)alkyl, dihalo(1-4C)alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, dihydroxy(2-4C)alkyl, trihydroxy(3-4C)alkyl, cyano(1-4C)alkyl (optionally substituted on alkyl

with hydroxy), (1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkyl, (1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkoxy[, di[(1-4C)alkoxy](2-4C)alkyl, di[(1-4C)alkoxy](2-4C)alkyl, for and 6-membered acetals and mono- and di-methyl derivatives thereof, (amino)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl, (aminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl, ((1-4C)alkylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl, (di(1-4C)alkylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl, ((1-4C)alkylaminocarbonyl)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl, ((1-4C)alkyls(O)_p-)(hydroxy)(2-4C)alkyl (wherein p is 0, 1 or 2); wherein any alkyl or alkoxy group within any group in R_NA and R_NB may also optionally be substituted on an available carbon atom with a hydroxy group (provided that said carbon atom is not already substituted by a group linked by a heteroatom); provided that if R² is (1-3C)alkyl or (1-4C)alkyl then R³ is not (1-4C)alkyl or (1-3C)alkyl; R⁴ is independently selected from halo, nitro, hydroxy, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy and (1-4C)alkanoyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof.

- 2. (original) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in Claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein R^2 is selected from R_N a, and R^3 is selected from R_N b, wherein R_N a and R_N b are as defined in Claim 1.
- 3. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in Claim 1 or Claim 2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein A is phenylene.
- 4. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in Claim 1, 2 or 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein n is 0.
- 5. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in any one of Claim[[s]] 1 to 4, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein m is 0 or 1.
- 6. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in any one of Claim[[s]] 1 to 5, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein R⁴ is methyl, chloro or fluoro.
- 7. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in any one of Claim[[s]] 1-to 6, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein R_Na is selected from (1-4C)alkyl, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, and (1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkyl.

8. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1) as claimed in any one of Claim[[s]] 1-to 7, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, which is a compound of formula (1A):

$$(R^4)_m$$

$$(1A)$$

wherein R1 to R4, m and n are as defined in any one of claim[[s]] 1 to 7.

9. (currently amended) A pro-drug of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in any one of Claim[[s]] 1-to-8, which pro-drug is an in-vivo hydrolysable ester.

10. (original) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of the formula (1), as claimed in claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or in-vivo hydrolysable ester thereof, in association with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

11-15. (cancelled)

16. (original) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1, which process comprises: reacting an acid of the formula (2):

or an activated derivative thereof; with an amine of formula (3):

$$R^2$$
 R^3
 H_2N
 A
 $(R^1)_n$

- and thereafter if necessary:
- i) converting a compound of the formula (1) into another compound of the formula (1);
- ii) removing any protecting groups;
- iii) forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or in vivo hydrolysable ester.
- 17. (new) A compound of formula (1) as claimed Claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, wherein m is 0 or 1 and R^4 is methyl, chloro or fluoro.
- 18. (new) A compound of formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof, selected from:
- 5-chloro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;
- 5-chloro-*N*-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[methyl(seryl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide hydrochloride;
- *N*-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(*N*-acetylseryl)(methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;
- $(2S)-N^1-((1R,2R)-2-\{[(5-chloro-1H-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-<math>N^1$ -methylpentanediamide;
- $(2S)-N^1-((1R,2R)-2-\{[(5-fluoro-1H-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-<math>N^1$ -methylpentanediamide;
- 5-chloro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxy-3-methoxypropanoyl] (methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;
- 5-fluoro-*N*-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[(2*S*)-2-hydroxy-3-methoxypropanoyl] (methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;
- $(2S)-N^1-((1R,2R)-2-\{[(5-chloro-1H-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-<math>N^1$ -methylsuccinamide;
- $(2S)-N^1-((1R,2R)-2-\{[(5-fluoro-1H-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-<math>N^1$ -methylsuccinamide;
- (2S)-2-hydroxy- N^1 -{(1R,2R)-2-[(1H-indol-2-ylcarbonyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl}- N^1 -methylsuccinamide;
- (2S)-2-hydroxy- N^1 -methyl- N^1 -((1R,2R)-2- $\{[(5\text{-methyl-}1H\text{-indol-}2\text{-yl})\text{carbonyl}]$ amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)succinamide;
- $N-\{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxybutanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl\}-5-methyl-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;$
- 5-fluoro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxybutanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-\{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxybutanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl $\}-1H$ -indole-2-carboxamide;

5-chloro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxybutanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

N-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[(2*S*)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-5-methyl-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-chloro-*N*-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[glycoloyl(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-chloro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2S)-2-hydroxybutanoyl](2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide; or

5-chloro-N-{(1R,2R)-1-[[(2R)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoyl](methyl)amino]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl}-1H-indole-2-carboxamide.

- 19. (new) A method of producing a glycogen phosphorylase inhibitory effect in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.
- 20. (new) A method of treating type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance, syndrome X, hyperinsulinaemia, hyperglucagonaemia, cardiac ischaemia or obesity in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.
- 21. (new) A method of treating type 2 diabetes in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.